

TENNESSEE GENERAL ASSEMBLY
FISCAL REVIEW COMMITTEE



FISCAL NOTE

HB 38 - SB 487

February 2, 2023

SUMMARY OF BILL: Authorizes the Speaker of the House of Representatives and the Speaker of the Senate to retain additional counsel to the Attorney General and Reporter (AG) to prosecute an action on behalf of the state if, in their judgement as Speakers, the interest of the state requires additional counsel, and the representation does not result in an increase in state expenditures.

FISCAL IMPACT:

NOT SIGNIFICANT

Assumptions:

- Authorizing the Speakers of the Senate and the House of Representatives to retain additional outside counsel to the AG to prosecute an action on behalf of the state if, in their judgement as Speakers, the interest of the state requires additional counsel, will not result in an increase in state expenditures as the legislation authorizes such representation only if it does not result in an increase in state expenditures.
- The proposed legislation does not explicitly address recoveries of money in cases of successful state litigation. It is assumed that cases where additional counsel will be retained pursuant to this legislation will be rare and any decrease in recovery for state or local governments will be not significant.

CERTIFICATION:

The information contained herein is true and correct to the best of my knowledge.

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Krista Lee Carsner".

Krista Lee Carsner, Executive Director

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